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CASUALTY MESSAGE

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TAGS: CDES (BALDWIN, JOHN WILLIAM)
SUBJ: DEATH OF JOHN WILLIAM BALDWIN

TO: MRS. BOND R. WILLIAMS
106 LAMAR DRIVE
BONAIRE, GEORGIA 31005

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN WILLIAM BALDWIN. THE 97TH U.S. ARMY GENERAL HOSPITAL, FRANKFURT GERMANY, INFORMS THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL THAT MR. BALDWIN DIED APRIL 28, 1978 OF CARCINOMA AND PNEUMONIA.
 2. MR. BALDWIN'S REMAINS ARE BEING KEPT BY U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL PENDING DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS AND HIS APARTMENT HAS BEEN SEALED BY LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES.
 3. LOCAL AUTHORITIES STATE THAT MR. BALDWIN'S U.S. PASSPORT CONTAINS INSTRUCTIONS TO NOTIFY YOU IN CASE OF HIS DEATH. IF YOU HAVE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF MR. BALDWIN'S REMAINS AND WISH TO MAKE THE NECESSARY PAYMENT KINDLY INFORM US OF YOUR DECISION. AN IMMEDIATE ACTION IS REQUIRED.
 4. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO
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MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN FIVE DAYS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO THE UNITED STATES WOULD COST 4,500. CREMATION AND SHIPMENT OF CREMATED REMAINS TO THE UNITED STATES WOULD COST \$1,600. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED,

THE COST 1,200. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS
\$1,200. ALL THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

5. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING
ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTION PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN
CONSULATE GENERAL, FRANKFURT/MAIN, WEST GERMANY AND
INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER
REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE
NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT
DESIRED.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY
THROUGH AMERICAN EXPRESS INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED 5 STEINWEG,
6000 FRANKFURT/MAIN, WEST GERMANY
PAYABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE UNITED STATES,
YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT
MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

6. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL
BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE
ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY FIVE DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING
RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS
ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A
FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL
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BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

7. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES
UNIT OF THIS POST BY PHONING (0611) 74 00 71 EXT. 229.

8. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
6000 FRANKFURT/MAIN
WEST GERMANYBLAKE

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